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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

IC Staff/CIPC

SUBJECT: Standing Interagency Intelligence Committees Concerned with  
Narcotics Intelligence Matters

1. In January 1983, the DCI established the Critical Intelligence Problems Committee (CIPC) as a standing senior interagency committee for the primary purpose of focusing the Intelligence Community's attention on high-interest, cross-disciplinary intelligence problems. It is charged with providing to the DCI timely, in-depth assessments and specific recommendations for improving the overall performance of NFIP systems, activities, and programs, to include reporting, dissemination, and analysis. (see attached DCI directive).

2. To support the CIPC in its mission, various Working Groups have been formed. One of these is the Narcotics Working Group (NWG) which comprises some 17 members from the Intelligence Community and from the law enforcement community. It has been meeting regularly since April 1983. Its principal charge was to develop a study assessing the adequacy of intelligence support to US international narcotics control effort and to propose such recommendations as necessary to improve this support.

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- o The NWG is continuing to meet as part of its responsibilities to provide a final report for the DCI by 30 September 1984 on several outstanding questions and to prepare a report for the CIPC on the status and implementation of the recommendations contained in the Study. (See page 10 of the CIPC Narcotics Study.)

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## DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE <sup>1</sup>

### CRITICAL INTELLIGENCE PROBLEMS COMMITTEE

(Effective 6 April 1983)

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 102, the National Security Act of 1947, and Executive Order 12333, there is established a Critical Intelligence Problems Committee.

#### *1. Mission*

The mission of the Critical Intelligence Problems Committee (CIPC) is to examine those critical intelligence problems that are referred to the Committee by the Director of Central Intelligence or the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence and to recommend specific remedies, including the restructuring of collection, processing, and production efforts within existing resources, or through new initiatives requiring reprogramming or supplemental funding actions.

#### *2. Functions*

Under the general guidance of the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, the Committee will conduct timely, in-depth examinations of specific critical intelligence problems to identify:

- a. the specific intelligence requirements and shortfalls associated with the critical intelligence problem under review;
- b. current and programmed collection, processing, and production resources directed against the critical intelligence problem;
- c. options for adjustments in collection, processing, and production efforts which could be accomplished within existing resources, and the associated impact such adjustments would have on the Intelligence Community's ability to respond to other priority intelligence needs; and
- d. recommendations for new initiatives which could increase collection, processing, and production efforts against the critical intelligence problem, noting which options would require reprogramming or supplemental funding actions.

#### *3. Responsibilities of the Intelligence Community*

Upon request of the Committee Chairman, Intelligence Community components shall, within established security safeguards, provide information or materials pertinent to the Committee's mission and functions.

Intelligence Community components will identify critical intelligence problems for consideration by the DCI or DDCI and possible referral to the Critical Intelligence Problems Committee, via the Director, Intelligence Community Staff.

<sup>1</sup> This directive supersedes the DCI directive on this subject, dated 24 February 1982

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**4. Composition and Organization**

The Committee Chairman will be appointed by the Director of Central Intelligence.

The Committee shall be comprised of representatives designated by Intelligence Community principals.

With the approval of the DCI, the Committee Chairman may invite representatives of other US Government entities with national security interests to participate as appropriate.

The Committee will be supported by the Intelligence Community Staff.

William J. Casey  
Director of Central Intelligence

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